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Sir:

Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time, from April 3, 2000 up to and including July 3, 2000, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for filing a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) in lieu of filing an Appeal Brief in the above-identified application.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$435.00 for this extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge and underpayments, or credit any overpayments, to our Deposit Account No. 06-1448.

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